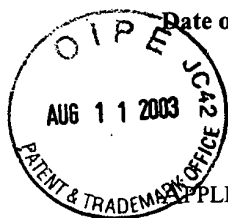


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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action dated April 10, 2003 (paper no. 6) for the subject application, the time for responding having been extended one-month from July 10, 2003, to August 10, 2003, by the enclosed Petition For Extension of Time and associated fee, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

The claims, as presented by the present response, are set out below. Accordingly, please cancel claims 1-19, without prejudice and disclaimer of subject matter and amend claims 20, 21, 24, 29, 34, 35 and 36-39, and add new claims 40-57 as set out below.